



County of Riverside  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

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February 15, 2019

System No. 3301709

San Bernardino National Forest  
Vista Grande Station-USFS  
602 South Tippecanoe Ave.  
San Bernardino, CA 92549

**CITATION NO. 05\_63\_19C\_006**  
**REVISED TOTAL COLIFORM RULE MCL VIOLATION**  
**FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019**

Enclosed is Citation No. 05\_63\_19C\_006 (hereinafter "Citation"), issued to the Vista Grande Station-USFS (hereinafter "Vista Grande"), public water system. Please note there are legally enforceable deadlines associated with this Citation.

Any repeat violations in the future will be subjected for San Bernardino National Forest to be billed at the Riverside County LPA (hereinafter "LPA"), hourly rate for the time spent on issuing a Citation. California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC"), Section 116577, provides that a public water system must reimburse the LPA for actual costs incurred by the LPA for specified enforcement actions, including but not limited to, preparing, issuing and monitoring compliance with a citation.

Any person who is aggrieved by a citation, order or decision issued under authority delegated to an officer or employee of the LPA under Article 8 (commencing with CHSC, Section 116625) or Article 9 (commencing with CHSC, Section 116650), of the Safe Drinking Water Act (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4), may file a petition with the State Water Board for reconsideration of the citation, order or decision.

Petitions must be received by the State Water Board within 30 days of the issuance of the citation, order or decision by the officer or employee of the state board. The date of issuance is the date when the Division of Drinking Water mails a copy of the citation, order or decision. If the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition is due the following business day by 5:00 p.m.

Information regarding filing petitions may be found at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking\\_water/programs/petitions/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/programs/petitions/index.shtml)

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Daisy Ciudad Real of my staff at 951-955-8980 or me at 951-955-8980.

Sincerely,



Matthew Riha

Certified Mail No. 70173040000085608663

cc: State Water Resource Control Board, Division of Drinking Water

Riverside County Environmental Health

LPA 63

**Name of Public Water System:** Vista Grande Station-USFS

**Water System No:** 3301709

**Attention:** San Bernardino National Forest  
Vista Grande Station- USFS  
602 South Tippecanoe Ave.  
San Bernardino Ca, 92408

**Issued:** 2-15-2019

**CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH  
CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, SECTION 116555(a)(1) AND  
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, SECTION 64426.1(b)(2)**

**TOTAL COLIFORM MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL VIOLATION  
CALENDAR YEAR 2018**

The California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC"), Section 116650 authorizes the LPA 63 (hereinafter "LPA"), acting by and through its primacy delegation from the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), to issue a citation to a public water system when

1 the LPA determines that the public water system has violated or is violating the California Safe  
2 Drinking Water Act (hereinafter "California SDWA"), (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4,  
3 commencing with Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, permit, or order issued or adopted  
4 thereunder.

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7 The LPA acting by and through its primacy delegation from the State Water Board, hereby issues  
8 Citation No. 05\_63\_19C\_006 (hereinafter "Citation"), pursuant to Section 116650 of the CHSC to  
9 the Vista Grande Station- USFS Public Water System (hereinafter "System"), for violation of CHSC,  
10 Section 116555(a) (1) and California Code of Regulations (hereinafter "CCR"), Title 22, Section  
11 64426.1 (b) (2) Maximum Contaminant Levels (hereinafter "MCL") – Total Coliform.

### 12 13 **STATEMENT OF FACTS** 14

15 This System is classified as a transient public water system with a population of 25, serving 4  
16 connections.

17 CHSC, Section 116555(a) (1) requires all public water systems to comply with primary drinking  
18 water standards as defined in CHSC, Section 116275(c). Primary drinking water standards include  
19 maximum levels of contaminants and the monitoring and reporting requirements as specified in  
20 regulations adopted by the LPA that pertain to maximum contaminant levels.

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22 Pursuant to CCR, Title 22, Section 64426.1(b)(2), the System is in violation of the total coliform  
23 MCL when a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples per month, more than one  
24 sample collected during any month is total coliform- positive. During the month of November 2018,  
25 the System collected 5 routine samples of which 5 were present for total coliform.



## DETERMINATION

The LPA has determined that the System has failed to comply with primary drinking water standards pursuant to CHSC, Section 116555(a) (1) and bacteriological quality requirements pursuant to CCR, Title 22, Sections 64426.1 (b)(2).

## DIRECTIVES

The System is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. On or before **3/22/2019** notify all persons served by the System of the violation of CCR, Title 22, Section 64426.1(b) (2), in conformance with Sections 64463.4(b) and 64465. Appendix 1: Notification Template shall be used to fulfill this Directive.

Notification Template shall be approved by the LPA prior to issuance. **The System must edit the wording of the sample notification as necessary.** The notification shall be completed in accordance with the following:

Posting of the Public Notification in conspicuous places within the area served by the water system. The notice shall remain posted for a minimum of seven (7) consecutive days.

1. Complete Appendix 3: Compliance Certification Form. Submit it together with a copy of the public notification required by Directive 1 to the LPA on or before **4/12/2019**.
2. The system shall ensure that it complies with the primary Standards for Bacteriological Quality. Failure to comply may result in mandatory disinfection.  
The system shall collect routine bacteria samples quarterly.
3. On or before **3/22/2019** complete and return to the LPA the "Notification of Receipt" form attached to this Citation as Appendix 3. Completion of this form confirms that the system

1 has received this Citation and understands that it contains legally enforceable directives(s)  
2 with due dates.

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4 All submittals required by this Citation, with exception of analytical results, shall be electronically  
5 submitted to the LPA at the following address. The subject line for all electronic submittals  
6 corresponding to this Citation shall include the following information: Water System name and  
7 number, citation number and title of the document being submitted.

8 [dcitudadr@rivco.org](mailto:dcitudadr@rivco.org)  
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10 The LPA reserves the right to make modifications to this Citation as it may deem necessary to  
11 protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as amendments to this Citation  
12 and shall be effective upon issuance.

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14 Nothing in this Citation relieves the system of its obligation to meet the requirements of the California  
15 SDWA (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270), or any  
16 regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

#### 17 18 **PARTIES BOUND**

19 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the system, its owners, shareholders, officers,  
20 directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

#### 21 22 **SEVERABILITY**

23 The directives of this Citation are severable, and the system shall comply with each and every  
24 provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any provision.

#### 25 26 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

27 The California SDWA authorizes the LPA reference, pursuant to authority delegated by the State  
28 Water Board, to: issue a citation or order with assessment of administrative penalties to a public

1 water system for violation or continued violation of the requirements of the California SDWA or any  
2 regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder including, but not  
3 limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or compliance order. Pursuant to its  
4 delegated authority, the California SDWA also authorizes the LPA to take action to suspend or  
5 revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the public water system has violated  
6 applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with a citation or order of the LPA, and to  
7 petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a public water system that  
8 has failed to comply with a citation or order of the LPA. The LPA does not waive any further  
9 enforcement action by issuance of this Citation.

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Matthew Riha

2/15/19  
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Date

## Appendices 3:

- 15 1. Notification Template
- 16 2. Compliance Certification Form
- 17 3. Notification of Receipt Form

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20 Certified Mail No:70173040000085608663

APPENDIX 1.

NOTIFICATION TEMPLATE

**DRINKING WATER**

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.  
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

**Vista Grande Station - USFS Has Levels of Coliform Bacteria  
Above the Drinking Water Standard**

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened, and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We took 5 samples to test for the presence of coliform bacteria during November 2018. Five of those samples showed the presence of total coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than 1 sample per month may do so.

**What should I do?**

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*
- Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the system's treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or *E. coli*, are present. **We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing, and further testing shows that this problem has been resolved.**
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of



infection by microbes are available from U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.

- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What was done?

For more information, please contact [redacted] at

[redacted] or \_\_\_\_\_.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

### **Secondary Notification Requirements**

Upon receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- **SCHOOLS:** Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors).
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, and OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by **Vista Grande Station- USFS**.

State Water System ID#: \_\_\_\_\_. Date distributed: \_\_\_\_\_.



## APPENDIX 2. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

**Citation Number:** 05\_63\_19C\_006

**Name of Water System:** Vista Grande Station- USFS

**System Number:** 3301709

### Certification

I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the Total Coliform MCL violation of California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64432.1(a) for the compliance period of **4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2018** and the required actions listed below were completed.

Required Action	Date Completed
(Citation Directive 1) Public Notification Method(s) Used: _____	

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Water System Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Attach a copy of the public notice distributed to the water system's customers.**

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE [Riverside County LPA](#),  
, NO LATER THAN [4/12/2019](#)**

**Disclosure:** Be advised that the California Health and Safety Code, Sections 116725 and 116730 state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act may be liable for, respectively, a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that violation continues, or be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

### Appendix 3 – Notification of Receipt

Citation Number: 05\_63\_19C\_006

Name of Water System: Vista Grande Station- USFS

System Number: 3301709

#### Certification

I certify that I am an authorized representative of the Vista Grande Station-USFS and that Citation No. 05\_63\_19C\_006 was received on \_\_\_\_\_. Further I certify that the Citation has been reviewed by the appropriate management staff of Vista Grande Station-USFS and it is clearly understood that Citation No. 05\_63\_19C\_006 contains legally enforceable directives with specific due dates.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Water System Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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NO LATER THAN 3/22/2019**

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